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FM AMEMBASSY SAIGON
TO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA
SECSTATE WASHDC 5102

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ZAIRE AND VIETNAM

REF: A) KINSHASA 2899 (NOTAL); B) SAIGON 4446

1. WE AND MFA MUCH APPRECIATED RECEIVING TEXT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE
CONTAINED REF A.

2. MFA APRIL 10 RECEIVED CABLE SENT APRIL 5 BY AMBASSADOR LONG
REQUESTING \$20,000 FOR EXPENSES OF CLOSING GVN EMBASSY. MFA FINDS
MESSAGE PUZZLING SINCE NO DECISION ON BREAKING RELATIONS HAS BEEN
MADE, AND PRESIDENT THIEU HAS AGREED TO AWAIT A FULL REPORT BEFORE
MAKING SUCH A DECISION. IN RESPONSE, MFA REQUESTS WE PASS FOLLOWING
MESSAGE TO LONG: BEGIN TEXT: RYT 030/KSS/TO/M APRIL 5TH 1975.
PLEASE EXPLAIN WHETHER YOU HAVE RECEIVED ORDER TO CLOSE OUR EMBASSY
FROM GOZ OR YOU WANTED TO MEAN ONLY THAT YOU EXPECT AN EVENTUAL ORDER
FROM OUR GOVERNMENT STOP PLEASE ALSO REPLY MINAE CONCERNING
QUESTIONS MENTIONED IN OUR CABLE 1192/C/VP/M DATED APRIL 7TH 1975
STOPEND LE QUAN GIANG END TEXT.

3. MFA WOULD LIKE TO CONSULT WITH US WITH REGARD TO POSSIBLE
MEASURES TO DELAY OR ANNUL IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMUNIQUE. MFA NOTES
THAT COMMUNIQUE DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY STATE ON WHAT DATE DIPLOMATIC
RELATIONS ARE OR HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED; PERHAPS THERE WOULD BE
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SOME WAY TO HAVE THIS DOCUMENT REGARDED AS A STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLE

WITH DATE FOR BECOMING EFFECTIVE YET TO BE DECIDED. WE KNOW YOU
WILL BE TRANSMITTING SHORTLY AMBASSADOR LONG'S VIEWS PER REFTELS,
AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL IDEAS YOU OR THE DEPARTMENT
MIGHT HAVE WHICH MIGHT HELP PRESERVE THIS IMPORTANT GVN FOOTHOLD
IN AFRICA.

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